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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 23, 2008

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 23, 2008, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a three-month extension fee is due in connection with this response. This fee has been paid with the submission of this paper using the Patent Electronic Business Center. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.